

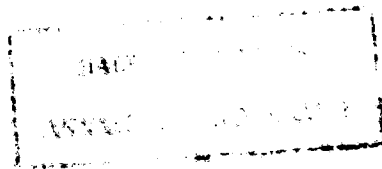
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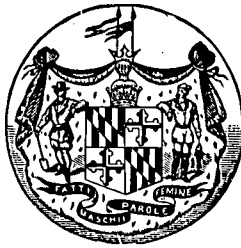
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LIBRARY HOURS

The State Library is open daily, except Sundays and Legal Holidays, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M., and during sessions of the Court of Appeals from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M., and 8 P. M. to 10 P. M. On Saturdays from 9 A. M. to 12 M. During the months of June, July, August and September from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M.

REPORT OF THE STATE LIBRARIAN

To the State Library Committee:

GENTLEMEN:—I take pleasure in submitting to your Honorable Body the Biennial Report of the State Librarian of the State of Maryland, covering the period between the first day of January, 1920, and the first day of January, 1922.

ACCESSIONS.

During this period 3,161 volumes and pamphlets have been added to the State Library, as follows:

From the United States Government.....	614
From the States and Territories (in exchange)	1,661
By purchase and gift.....	886
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Total.....	3,161
Increase of volumes over 1918-19.....	424

The pamphlets mentioned above are chiefly departmental reports from the various States. Pamphlets received from the United States Government are not enumerated on the accession list, as they are arranged in their proper classes, subsequently bound, then accessioned and placed upon the shelves.

VOLUMES DISTRIBUTED.

The Library Staff has distributed during the past two years the following volumes:

Maryland Reports — Volumes 134-135-136-137.

Laws of Maryland (1920 Session of the General Assembly).

Senate Journal (1920 Session of the General Assembly).

House Journal (1920 Session of the General Assembly).

Laws of Maryland (1920 Extra Session of the General Assembly).

Senate Journal (1920 Extra Session of the General Assembly).

House Journal (1920 Extra Session of the General Assembly).

Ashman's "Leading Law and Equity Cases of Maryland."

We have received 150 copies of Volume VI "Maryland Calendar of Wills," compiled by Jane Baldwin Cotton and Roberta Bolling Henry, subscribed for under Acts of 1914, but on account of no appropriation being available until the passage of the present proposed budget, we are holding up the distribution of these volumes until the bill can be settled.

Volumes I-II-III-IV-V-VI of The Maryland Digest Annotated are awaiting the Governor's orders, as to their distribution. In this shipment are 50 copies of each volume.

BINDING OF VOLUMES.

During the year 1920 sixty-three volumes were rebound and forty-nine volumes of the various magazines were bound, including chiefly the issues of the previous year. In 1921 one hundred volumes were rebound and fifty-six volumes of magazines added to our shelves.

LAW LIBRARY.

Under the supervision of Mr. Edward G. Kenly, Indexer and Cataloguer, the greater portion of the Law Library was overhauled during the summer months, necessitating the shifting of more than ten thousand volumes, to relieve the acute congestion in this department. New cards have been printed and placed over the alcoves designating the State Reports to be found in each.

GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY.

Reynold's Triumphs of God's Revenge Against Murder, London, 1663, 4th edition.

Reports and Cases Collected by Sir John Popham, Kt., Lord Chief Justice of England, 2nd edition, London, 1682.

Modern Cases Argued and Adjudged in the Court of King's Bench at Westminster in the Reign of Queen Anne, by Thomas Farresley, 2nd edition, 1725.

The Reign of Henry the Eighth, Vol. I, by James Anthony Froude.

—Presented by Judge Henry Stockbridge.

Honor Roll of Litchfield County Revolutionary Soldiers.

Celebration of the Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the Formation of the Town and Church of Southold, Long Island.

The Revolutionary Soldiers of Redding, Connecticut.

History and Records of the First Congregational Church of Hanover, Massachusetts.

Records, Births, Marriages, Deaths and the Intentions of Marriage of the Town of Hanover, Massachusetts.

—*Presented by Bishop G. Mott Williams.*

The Railroad Problem, by Walter W. Davis.—*Presented by the Author.*

Dr. William Beans, by C. C. Magruder, Jr.—*Presented by the Author.*

Baltimore Methodism and the General Conference of 1908.—*Presented by the Rev. Charles W. Baldwin.*

Life of Leonard Wood, by John G. Holme.—*Presented by the Author.*

The Ewing Genealogy, by P. K. Ewing.—*Presented by the Author.*

Memoirs of Great Men and Events, by Baker A. Jamison.—*Presented by the Author.*

India in the Years 1917-18, by L. F. R. Williams.—*Presented by the Author.*

Hendrick's Commercial Register of the United States.—*Presented by Byers & Setler.*

The Steen Family in Europe and America, by the Rev. M. D. A. Steen.—*Presented by the Author.*

William Claiborne of Virginia, by John Herbert Claiborne.—*Presented by the Author.*

Edward Coles, Second Governor of Illinois.—*Presented by Mrs. Bradley S. Johnson.*

A Brief History of Panics, etc., in the United States, by De Courey W. Thom.—*Presented by the Author.*

Origin of Modern Calculating Machines, by J. A. V. Turek.—*Presented by the Author.*

The O'Toomeys of Croom and Their Descendants, by Thomas Noxon Toomey.—*Presented by the Author.*

The Jew and American Ideals, by John Spargo.—*Presented by the Author.*

SALE OF LAWS.

The sum of four hundred and five dollars has been turned over to the State Treasurer of Maryland from the sale of the Maryland Session Laws.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Mrs. Alice Tate-Williams, Custodian of Works of Reference, requests that more modern cases be purchased for the preservation of the priceless Audubon books. These four volumes were repaired last summer and together with the very rare set of The Maryland Gazette, are among the Library's most valued possessions.

In looking over the report to the Library Committee issued in 1902 by the Librarian, the suggestion was made that all State Departmental Reports should be distributed through the State Library. We have constant requests for the reports of these various departments and our efficiency would be greatly increased, if after the head of each Department, issuing a report, has made his regular distribution, according to his present shipping list, the surplus copies of his report were deposited in the State Library for future distribution.

Dr. Horace E. Flack, Head of the Department of Legislative Reference, has acquired for his department a complete set of the various State Codes, in exchange for copies of Bagby's Code, as authorized by Resolution 6, Acts of 1916. The State Library lacks in many instances these State Codes and I would suggest that when the new Annotated Code of Maryland, 2nd edition, provided for in the present proposed budget (to incorporate down to and include the Acts of 1924) is issued, provision should be made through the passage of a bill in the 1924 Legislature for the exchange of the new Code with other States for their latest codes.

I would also suggest that a bill be introduced in the 1922 Legislature authorizing the State Librarian, with the consent of

the Library Committee, to sell or otherwise dispose of all useless volumes and pamphlets now crowding the shelves and storage room. Having from time to time received inquiries from firms dealing in second-hand law books, Mr. Kenly at my request compiled a list of the surplus copies of various volumes now on hand. This list was submitted to the Library Committee with the request that the Librarian should be allowed to dispose of all volumes regarded as of no present or future value to the Library. The Library Committee, however, felt that they could not authorize the sale of these books.

Application has been made to Governor Ritchie to include in his present proposed budget an appropriation for the completion of the steel book stacks in the Miscellaneous Section of the Library (third tier). An estimate was submitted by The Art Metal Company, of Jamestown, N. Y., the cost of construction not to exceed the sum of \$5,600. This Company installed the original metal stacks in the Library. Additional shelf space is greatly needed.

In concluding this report I wish to thank your Honorable Body for your co-operation and to commend to you both Mrs. Williams and Mr. Kenly, who efficiently fill their respective offices, as Custodian of Works of Reference, and Indexer and Cataloguer, and who are untiring in their efforts to serve the public.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY GARNETT McCARTY,
State Librarian.

